

**Amusements To-Day.**

**Academy of Design**—Annual Exhibition.  
**Academy of Music**—La Camargo. Matinee.  
**Bosch's Theatre**—Bonne and Joffe. Matinee.  
**Boyd's Opera House**—The Spider Knight. Matinee.  
**Brooklyn Coney Island Hotel**—The Great Escape. Matinee.  
**Daly's New Theatre**—The Brook. Matinee.  
**Fourth Avenue Theatre**—Pirates of Penzance. Matinee.  
**Grand Opera House**—Tony Pastor's Troupe. Matinee.  
**Hesperia Theatre**—The Great Escape. Matinee.  
**Hughes and Hild's Garden**—Courtier.  
**Hudson Square Garden**—Hazel Kirke. Matinee.  
**New York Aquarium**—Ten Nights in a Barroom. Matinee.  
**Parkside Garden**—Kerry Goo. Matinee.  
**Pavilion Theatre**—The Wink-wink.  
**Standard Theatre**—Hobbes.  
**San Francisco Minstrels**—Boarding School. Matinee.  
**Tenby Square Theatre**—Bonanza. Matinee.  
**Theatre Francaise**—Les Femmes de Mer. Matinee.  
**Vivianor Theatre**—Matinee.

From a diplomatic point of view, ABDUL RAHMAN has a sort of prescriptive right, as recognition on the part of the Viceroy and Government. He is the son of AYZUL KHAN, the half brother of SHIRAZ ALI, who, in 1862, after the latter's defeat at Khelat-i-Ghilzai, was formally acknowledged by Lord LAURENCE as Amier of Cabul and Candahar. AYZUL soon died, however, and by 1868 the fortune of war veered round, so that ABDUL RAHMAN, after the most vigorous attempts to make head against his uncle, was forced to find a place of refuge within Russian territory. He had shown abilities so much superior to those of other pretenders that

The racing season for New York will be inaugurated on the 31st of May at Jerome Park, when the spring meeting of the American Jockey Club for 1899 will begin. Thirty races will be on the programme from the 1st mile dash to the 10 mile race, and the programme for two-year-olds to the two-and-a-half-mile race, run by seasoned flyers for the Weathercar Cup. Sandwiched with the brushes on the flat are the usual exciting hurdle races and steeplechases. The entries comprise the flowers of all the best stables, from G. L. LORILLARD, including his wonderful three-year-old brown colt Sensation, who was never headed in his eight races last year, down to the owners of a few picked flyers.

An American newspaper that speaks of the House of Representatives as "a public nuisance" shows itself lacking in common sense. Does it want an autocratic government?

That all signs fail in a dry time is shown by the weather of the past week. Thursday morning was damp and foggy; a heavy mist hung over the city; the wind was east; thought-

The Committee on the Book Concern reported in favor of continuing the *Southwestern Children's Advocate* at New Orleans and the *Methodist Advocate* at Atlanta as separate publications. A minority report was presented recommending their consolidation, and the placing of the Book Concern — on a basis basis. The same committee reported on the *Journal of the Pacific Churches Advocate* as a General Conference paper. All ordered printed.

The Committee on Education reported, recommending the plan for a centennial education fund, to be raised by the Book Concern. The report was ordered printed on May 7. A report from the same committee advised, re-

"rounding up," preparatory to drive back to the Republican. "What! drive back now?" I asked. "Yes, now," was the smiling, and suggested that the cattle remain in the Arkansas Valley until after that it was not possible to drive to the Republican in the press of the range. The horseman turned to me and said: "Do you know anything about cattle? Do you know anything about grass?" Yes, I do. I know how to handle cattle. I have seen the buffalo and the grass, from the Yakima River to the

gave them  
an answer.  
He would  
grow; he  
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concluded  
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buffalo  
handle  
a lunch  
River

month." He wrote the letter, however, saying, as he said to the young man: "Always carry a pocket almanac, my young friend."

—William Bridges, of Greencastle, Ind. was asked to contribute toward building a Methodist Church. He is a Universalist, and he said that he would give \$100, on condition that a Universalist church should be allowed to preach three sermons in the new edifice. The offer was accepted and the money was given. The Rev. Mr. Curry preached the first of the three sermons, and improved the opportunity to visit

pure steel from the very earliest times.